

FISCAL NOTE

Bill #: SB0139

Title: Submitting \$10 fee for certain veterans' license plates fees to electorate

Primary

Sponsor: Eve Franklin

Status: As introduced

Sponsor signature	Date	Dave Lewis, Budget Director	Date
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Fiscal Summary

	<u>FY2000 Difference</u>	<u>FY2001 Difference</u>
Expenditures:		
General Fund	\$81,800	\$0
Revenue:		
General Fund	\$250	\$0
State Special Revenue	1,500	2,500
Net Impact on General Fund Balance:	(\$81,550)	\$0

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	
	X	Significant Local Gov. Impact	X		Technical Concerns
	X	Included in the Executive Budget		X	Significant Long-Term Impacts

Fiscal Analysis

ASSUMPTIONS:

Department of Justice

1. Department of Justice operating expenses are estimated at \$20,000 in FY 2000 consisting of \$3,800 for computer processing time due to programming and system testing and \$16,200 for consultant services for an estimated 216 hours of programming at \$75/hour.
2. It should be noted that if more than one new plate type passes into law, that all new plate types can be completed at the same time at a one time cost of \$20,000.

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Department of Military Affairs

3. There are 1,845 National Guard veterans eligible to purchase National Guard veterans license plates.
4. Of the 1,845 eligible, 13.6% will purchase plates, or 250 plates.
5. The original application fee of \$10.00 would be distributed \$3.00 to the county general fund (\$750), \$1.00 to the state general fund (\$250), and \$6.00 to the state veterans' cemeteries special revenue fund (\$1,500). In FY2001 and thereafter, the entire \$10 special fee will be deposited to the state veterans' cemeteries special revenue fund.

Secretary of State

6. The election to approve the enactment of the new fee will be held in FY2000, and it will be accepted by the voters.
7. Because the revenue generated by this bill is insignificant and cannot pay for the CI-75 election costs, the general fund will pay those costs.
9. For purposes of CI-75 and submitting SB139 to the electorate, this issue is only one of many likely to be submitted. Therefore, the impact presented in the fiscal note is only for the "extra" (marginal) cost which would be incurred by the state in preparing a Voter Information Packet (VIP) for the specific issue contained in the proposed bill. The VIP circulation is 525,000.
1. SB0139 will require at least 11 pages of explanation to print and distribute the VIP at .0107 cents per page for a total cost of \$61,800. (11 x .0107 x 525,000).

FISCAL IMPACT:

	<u>FY2000 Difference</u>	<u>FY2001 Difference</u>
Department of Justice:		
<u>Expenditures:</u>		
Operating Expenses	\$20,000	\$0
<u>Funding:</u>		
General Fund (01)	\$20,000	\$0
Department of Military Affairs:		
<u>Revenues:</u>		
General Fund (01)	\$250	\$0
State Special Revenue (02)	1,500	2,500
Secretary of State		
<u>Expenditures:</u>		
Operating Expenses	\$61,800	\$0
<u>Funding:</u>		
General Fund (01)	\$61,800	\$0

TECHNICAL NOTES in consideration of CI-75

1. The costs presented for the SB139 ballot issue will be included in a comprehensive analysis of the planned electorate vote(s) prior to the end of the session, based on all ballot issues adopted by the 56th Legislative Assembly.
2. When considering the comprehensive costs of an electorate vote, any costs greater than \$194,203 which are distributed to the counties must be funded by the legislature (1-2-112, MCA).
3. For FY 2000, a statewide election would have a base cost of \$690,000 for the counties and \$46,987 for the state for total general fund of \$736,987. General fund will be appropriated in HB2 to the Secretary of State for this statewide base cost and all the cumulative per-ballot-issue marginal costs at the end of the session.
4. In FY 2001, a tax election would be combined with a general election and would, therefore, require only marginal costs for ballot issues.